

Evidence 2023.3.2.3:Key CEEB Admission Score for all UPRM Potential Candidates

Evidence Overview

Admission to the University of Puerto Rico at Mayaguez (UPRM) is notably competitive, distinguished by its rigorous selection criteria. The university bases its admission indices on a blend of high school GPA and scores from the College Examination Entrance Boards (CEEB) in Verbal and Mathematical Reasoning. This combination of academic performance and standardized testing forms the core of UPRM's evaluation process for prospective students. Notably, the average UPRM admission index is approximately 20 points higher than the average for the entire University of Puerto Rico (UPR) system, underscoring UPRM's higher admission standards.

In terms of standardized testing, the median scores on the CEEB Verbal and Mathematical Reasoning sections have fluctuated between 409 to 449 and 399 to 430, respectively, over the past three years. These scores were derived from exams conducted in October and February, with each date witnessing at least 27,000 exam takers. Scores in the range of 450-499 were positioned in the 60th to 70th percentile, indicating a high level of performance among UPRM applicants. Over 65% of students admitted to one of the three UPRM Education Programs in the past three academic years scored above 450 on these National (Puerto Rican) Standardized Admission Exams.

Furthermore, the data reveals that a significant majority of teacher candidates at UPRM, who often transfer from different programs or pursue dual degrees, scored well above the national norm on these standardized exams. Over 90% of the CEEB admission scores for all UPRM Potential Teacher Candidates were above 450, placing them at least in the 60th percentile or higher. This statistic includes those enrolled in one of the three education programs and those who completed three or more education courses in the past three academic years. However, teacher candidates readmitted specifically to complete certification requirements are not included in this data if their CEEB admission scores were prior to 2013.

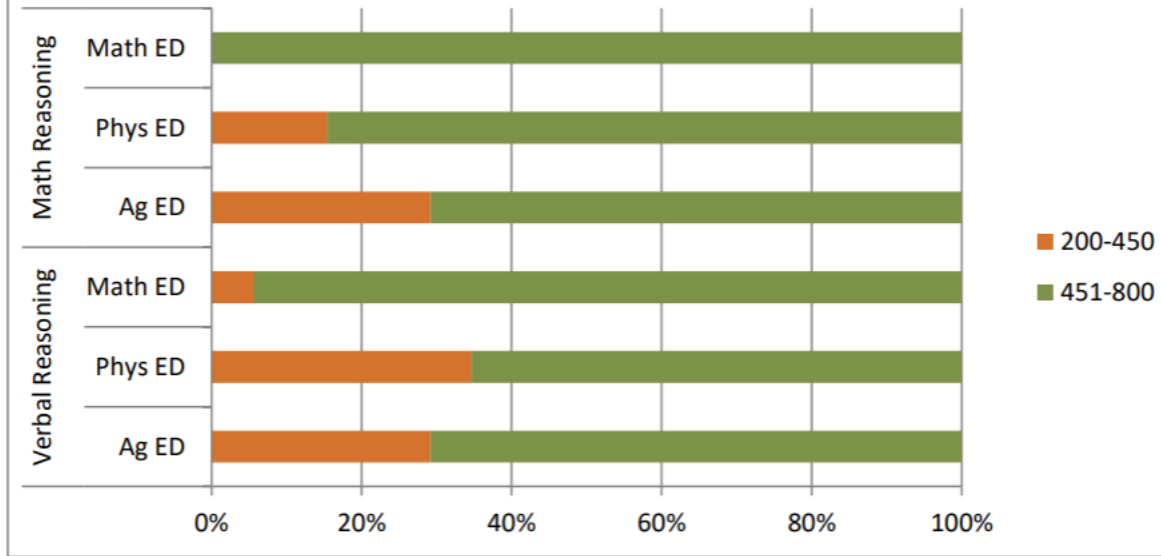
CAEP Standards Alignment

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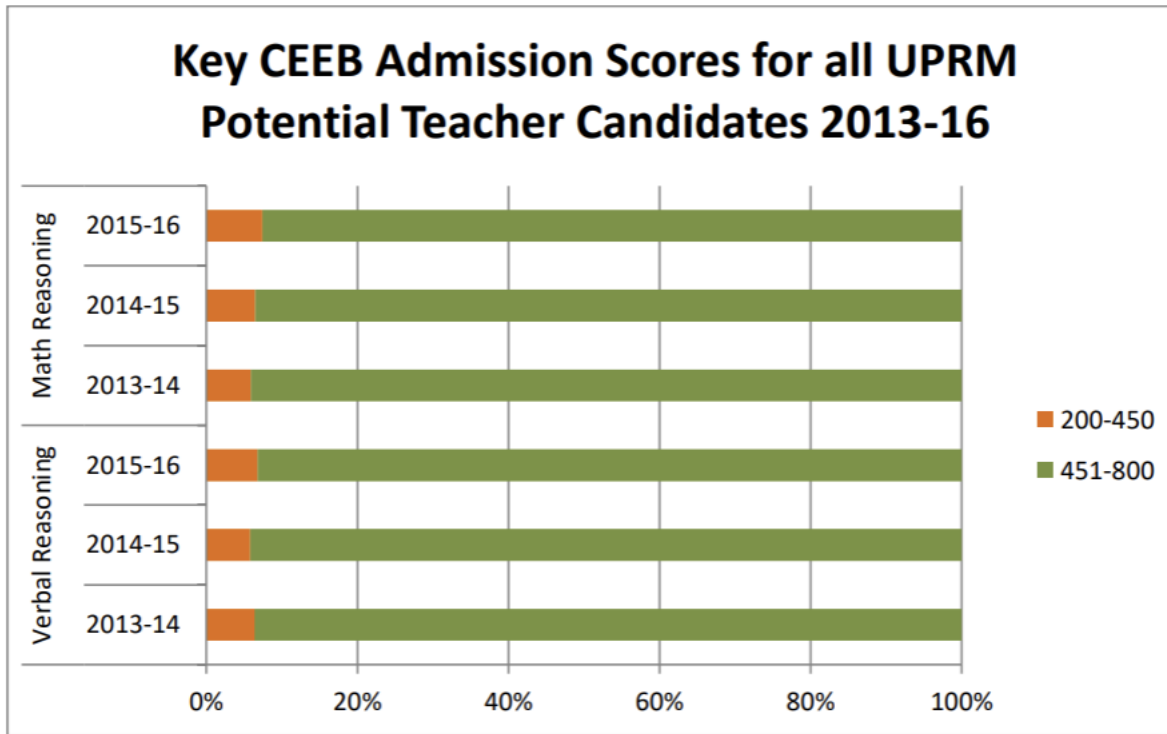
The University of Puerto Rico at Mayaguez (UPRM) has a highly competitive admission process, emphasizing high school GPA and CEEB scores, with most admitted students, particularly in education programs, scoring well above national averages on standardized tests.

Key CEEB Scores for UPRM Candidates Admitted to Education Programs 2013-16



UPRM CEEB Admission Scores 2013-16 Education Programs

CEEB Exam	Program	n	Min	Max	Mean
Math Reasoning	Agricultural Education	24	382	679	495
	Physical Education Teaching	26	284	657	515
	Mathematics Education	18	460	787	645
Verbal	Agricultural Education	24	352	706	497



UPRM CEEB Admission Scores 2013-16 Potential Teacher Candidates

CEEB Exam	Status	n	Min	Max	Mean
Math Reasoning	Education Program	68	284	787	542
	Three or more Education Courses	73	382	775	577
Verbal Reasoning	Education Program	68	200	706	508
	Three or more Education Courses	73	293	756	552